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What Do You Think? How Do You Think?

There are several different types of theoretical perspectives of learning. They include the Behaviorist, Cognitive and Constructive perspectives. Behaviorists believe that behavior is a response to external stimuli. I feel that this is a very basic style of learning, and think I would turn to something more inclusive. The Cognitive Perspective is much more of a mental process. The Constructionists also believe in a mental process. In this way, they are similar.

I believe that I both support and learn best through the Cognitive Perspective of learning. The text states that teachers who use this style, do not focus on reward systems, but rely on discussion and reviews of knowledge that lead to a deeper understanding of the topics being covered. Technology is used as an important tool that helps to augment this style of learning.

This is not to say that each perspective does not have its faults, and strengths. I also believe that boxing yourself into a certain style of teaching, limits what you can do in the classroom. Therefore, I think that teachers should use every style and tactic available to them and use what works best according to that certain classroom and that particular set of students.